

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	:	O'Donnell et al.	)	Examiner:
			)	R. Hutson
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For	:	BACILLUS STEAROTHERMOPHILUS SSB	)	
		PROTEIN AND USE THEREOF	)	

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AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop RCE**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action dated October 26, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.